



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, spending on health care in the United States and in Idaho continues to grow at a rapid and unsustainable pace; and

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho is one of the largest employers in the state; and

WHEREAS, healthy employees are an important key to a productive and cost-effective workplace; and

WHEREAS, state agencies can positively affect the health of their employees through wellness activities and programs; and

WHEREAS, healthy lifestyle behaviors and choices lead to increased productivity and job satisfaction, decreased health insurance costs, and less absenteeism, stress and injuries, as well as improved recruitment and retention; and

WHEREAS, employees need to be responsible, conscientious health care consumers; and

WHEREAS, employees become responsible and conscientious health-care consumers through education, screening, resources and work environment conducive to health and safety; and

WHEREAS, chronic diseases often can be delayed or even prevented with changes in lifestyle behaviors; and

WHEREAS, it makes sound economic sense to have a healthy state employee work force which benefits citizens financially and results in better service and improved quality of life;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2007, to be

IDAHO WORKSITE WELLNESS MONTH



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at Boise, Idaho, on this 1st day of October in the year of our Lord two-thousand and seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-second and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred eighteenth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C.L. Butch Otter", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ben Ysursa", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

BEN YSURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE